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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 828  
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A RESOLUTION to honor and commemorate the 227th birthday  
of the United States Army.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause in its deliberations to recognize those esteemed institutions that courageously defend the liberty, freedom and citizens of our great nation; and

WHEREAS, one such revered institution is the United States Army, which, on June 14, 2002, will commemorate its 227<sup>th</sup> year of valiant service in defense of this nation's interests; and

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee has shared a special relationship with the United States Army, serving as home to more than 500,000 veterans that have heroically defended this nation and its interests as a part of the U.S. Army; and

WHEREAS, Tennesseans have fought bravely in all of the nation's wars, from the Revolutionary War to the Persian Gulf War, and continue to make this State proud by serving on the frontlines of the war against terrorism and on various peacekeeping missions throughout the world; and

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WHEREAS, the dedicated service of these outstanding veterans has helped the State of Tennessee earn recognition as the "Volunteer State"; and

WHEREAS, the Regular Army, the U.S. Army Reserve and the Tennessee National Guard have provided many Tennesseans with vocational and educational opportunities as well as valuable life lessons in courage, discipline and teamwork; and

WHEREAS, the United States Army still offers Tennesseans from all walks of life an opportunity to proudly serve their state and nation while enhancing themselves and their families; and

WHEREAS, throughout the history of our great nation, the United States Army has valiantly protected the United States of America and its citizens from foreign threats and should be specially recognized for its 227 years of outstanding service; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we honor and commemorate the 227<sup>th</sup> birthday of the United States Army and recognize this outstanding institution for its service to the people of the United States of America.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.